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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Spaziani et al      Atty. Docket No.: POL 00.02  
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This is in response the Official Action in this case mailed October 9, 2003. This response is being filed within the three month period for response and hence Applicants believe that no extension of time is necessary. However, Applicants conditionally petition for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any required fee.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.